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The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A pump unit comprising:

a first fixed-capacity type pump (1) having large capacity;

a second fixed-capacity type pump (2) having small capacity that is smaller that of the first fixed-capacity pump;

a first discharge line (5) connected to the first fixed-capacity type pump (1);

a second discharge line (8) connected to the second fixed-capacity type pump (2);

a variable-speed motor (3) <u>arranged</u> for driving the first and second fixed-capacity type pumps (1, 2);

a switching valve (6) arranged to selectively connect or disconnect for making the first discharge line (5) and the second discharge line (8) connected or disconnected with each other;

a pressure sensor (17) for detecting arranged to detect a pressure of the second discharge line (8); and

a control device (4) for, upon reception of arranged to receive a signal from the pressure sensor (17) and a signal representing a rotational speed of the variable-speed motor, (3), controlling the control device being configured to control the switching valve (6) and the variable-speed motor (3) so that operation is selectively performed in a first mode and in a second mode, the first mode being a mode in which the first discharge line (5) and the second line (8) are disconnected with each other to make the first fixed-capacity type pump (1) unloaded, in which state such that a constant-horsepower operation is performed, and the a second mode being a mode in which the first discharge line (5) and the second discharge line (8) are connected with each other, in which state such that a constant-horsepower operation is performed.

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2. (Currently Amended) The pump unit according to Claim 1, wherein the control device (4) switches is configured to switch the switching valve (6) from a connecting state to a disconnecting state when the rotational speed of the variable-speed motor (3) has decreased below a predetermined set rotational speed, and switch switches the switching valve (6) from the disconnecting state to the connecting state when the pressure detected by the pressure sensor (17) has decreased below a predetermined set pressure (Pe).

- 3. (Currently Amended) The pump unit according to Claim 1, wherein the control device (4) switches is configured to switch the switching valve (6) from a disconnecting state to a connecting state when the rotational speed of the variable-speed motor (3) has increased over a predetermined set rotational speed, and switch switches the switching valve (6) from the connecting state to the disconnecting state when the pressure detected by the pressure sensor (17) has increased over a predetermined set pressure (Pe).
- 4. (Currently Amended) The pump unit according to Claim 1, wherein the control device (4) includes an input section (19) from which the <u>predetermined</u> set rotational speed and the <u>predetermined</u> set pressure are variably inputted so that the first mode and the second mode are operable in a plurality of modes, respectively.
- 5. (New) The pump unit according to Claim 2, wherein the control device includes an input section from which the predetermined set rotational speed and the predetermined set pressure are variably inputted so that the first mode and the second mode are operable in a plurality of modes, respectively.
- 6. (New) The pump unit according to Claim 3, wherein the control device includes an input section from which the predetermined set rotational speed and the predetermined set pressure are variably inputted so that the first mode and the second mode are operable in a plurality of modes, respectively.